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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINT, IT  
SUBJECT: ACHIEVEMENTS OF COMMUNIST LED LOCAL ADMINISTRATIONS

FOLLOWING THE 1975 ADMINISTRATIVE ELECTIONS, THE COMMUNISTS  
MOVED INTO CONTROL OF A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF LOCAL AND  
PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATIONS WHERE THEY WERE NOT PREVIOUSLY  
PRESENT. AS YOU ARE ALL AWARE, THE COMMUNISTS HAVE FOR  
SOME TIME BENEFITTED FROM THE IDEA THAT ONCE IN POWER IN  
LOCAL ADMINISTRATIONS THEY COULD GET THE JOB DONE  
BETTER AND MORE EFFICIENTLY THAN THE CHRISITAN DEMOCRATS.  
NOW THAT ALMOST TWO YEARS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE THESE  
ADMINISTRATIONS HAVE TAKEN POWER, WE WOULD LIKE TO EXAMINE  
HOW EFFECTIVE THEY HAVE BEEN. ACCORDINGLY, THE EMBASSY  
WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING FROM ALL THE CON-  
STITUENT POSTS NOT LATER THAN MAY 27 A REPORT ON  
THIS SUBJECT. SPECIFIC QUESTIONS WHICH SHOULD BE  
ADDRESSED ARE: A) TO WHAT EXTENT HAVE THE COMMUNISTS  
INVOLVED OTHER PARTIES IN THE GOVERNING COALITIONS AND  
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WHAT ARE THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE PARTIES;  
B) HOW EFFECTIVE HAVE THE NEW ADMINISTRATIONS BEEN,  
PARTICULARLY IN RELATION TO THE PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATIONS  
WHICH THEY REPLACED; C) WHAT IS THE PUBLIC PERCEP-  
TION OF THE NEW ADMINISTRATIONS--ARE THEY BELIEVED TO BE  
PERFORMING AT A BETTER LEVEL THAN THEIR PREDECESSORS?  
SUBJECT MIGHT BE BEST APPROACHED BY SELECTING THREE

OR FOUR OF THE PRINCIPLE ADMINISTRATIONS WHICH WOULD  
FALL INTO THE ABOVE-MENTIONED CATEGORY AND CONCENTRATE  
ON THESE. GARDNER

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